

CONDITIONS BECOMING NORMAL IN FREDERICK

First Shipment of Cattle Made Since
Outbreak of Food-and-Mouth
Disease.

SCOURGE HAS BEEN CHECKED
Precautionary Measures Still En-
forced Rigidly, but No Further
Trouble Is Expected—Only Three
Farms Infected.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINCHESTER, VA., March 27.—The
first cattle shipped from Frederick
County in more than a month, because
of the recent outbreak of foot-and-
mouth disease, were sent out this after-
noon from the grazing farm of George
Brenner, living near Stephens City,
which is in the modified, or exposed
area, and were consigned to Jersey City,
N. J., for immediate slaughter. The cat-
tle, however, were inspected and passed
by government agents, several of whom
are still in the county making a farm-
to-farm inspection. All the places on
which the disease was found have been
thoroughly fumigated and disinfected,
and now that portion of the county are
under only a modified quarantine, and
no further outbreak reported, it is ex-
pected that the quarantine generally
will be lifted in a very short time. This
will be a great relief to both growers
and buyers of cattle and other live stock,
for their business interests have been
well-nigh paralyzed since the Federal
and State governments prohibited the
shipment of any live stock from or into
Frederick County. The agents of the
United States Agricultural Department
and the Virginia department put string-
ent rules and regulations into effect
the moment they arrived here, and al-
though some of the orders appeared for
the time being to work a hardship on
some people, their strictness has resulted
in the disease being confined to three
farms, and the spread of the malady,
which appeared certain at first, was
prevented. There was, however, a fresh
outbreak in Berkeley County, W. Va.,
this week, even after every section had
been visited and inspected, when a herd
of cattle on the farm of S. A. Schriver,
near the Williamsport Pike, was found in-
fected. The cattle killed twelve
head of cattle and twelve hogs, and had
them buried in deep trenches. Reports
this morning from Martinsburg were
to the effect that the situation generally
was much improved. The delivery of
milk, butter and other produce by farm-
ers and dairymen has been resumed in
Berkeley County.

SENATOR BLACKBURN SMITH AGAIN IS CANDIDATE

Blackburn Smith, the well-known
Clarke County lawyer, of Berryville,
who has represented the Counties of
Clarke, Warren and Page in the Vir-
ginia Senate during the past term,
threw a bomb into the political camp
of that district yesterday, when he an-
nounced his candidacy for another term.
It had been the impression that the
rule of rotation would obtain, and that
Senator Smith would not be a candidate
again. He stated, however, that the
rule of rotation ever was agreed upon.
Warren County has been laying claims
to the nomination this year, and two
candidates of Front Royal, who have
seat, have announced their candidacies.
Major S. Gardner Waller and former
Assemblyman Henry H. Downing. Sen-
ator Smith declared he is an ardent
prohibitionist, while the other two have
not stated their position on the liquor
question. That the Anti-Saloon League,
which is an important factor in Vir-
ginia politics these days, will wield a
powerful influence when the time for
voting rolls around, is not disputed by
its opponents.

FARMERS ARE INSPECTING THEIR WHEAT ACREAGE

Many of the farmers of the lower
Shenandoah Valley are making very
critical and thorough inspections of
their wheat acreage since the receipt
of reports of a reliable character from
the neighboring sections of Maryland
and West Virginia, to the effect that
the crop will be much shorter than
last year, according to present pros-
pects. It is stated by men who know
how to examine and judge concerning
the wheat at this time of the year,
that there has been too much freezing
and thawing weather since early in
January, and that they have found
great quantities of grain practically
killed by freezes occurring after a
spell of thawing weather. A great part
of the roots are now also exposed and
cannot get proper nourishment from
the soil. Practically all the farmers
in this section of the country materi-
ally increased their wheat acreage
last fall, having been led to believe
that the European war would cause a
much greater demand for American
wheat than formerly, and those who
increased the acreage are especially
disappointed with the outlook.

Captain H. J. Seibel, of Philadelphia,
has been inspecting his iron mines
near mines along the foothills of the
Blue Ridge Mountains east of Front
Royal, Warren County, and said to-
day that conditions generally at the
mines were very satisfactory, with a
steady and increasing demand for iron
operations. The Seibel Company is
looking forward to an unusually busy
season in both manganese and iron,
and a great many more men will be
put to work within the next several
weeks.

CITY PRISONERS MAKE BREAK FOR LIBERTY

Nine Members of Chain Gang Escape,
but Two Are Recaptured—Of-
ficer Suspected.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, VA., March 27.—Nine
members of the city chain gang, rang-
ing in terms from thirty days to twelve
months, at dinner time to-day made a
break for liberty at the rock quarry
near the city. Two were captured later.
The plot was hatched in the jail a
week ago, said one of the men cap-
tured.
All of the men either broke or slipped
their chains, and the officer, who was
eating his dinner, was first apprised
of the delivery when he saw them
run and run. He drew his revolver,
but it would not work, and when it
was examined this afternoon a bullet
was found wedged in the barrel. It
apparently had been there some time.
R. M. Gee, chain gang officer, failed

INTERESTED IN NEW SCHEME OF EDUCATION



Mrs. Ernest Thompson
Seton at Montessori
School at Montessori

To prove that the Montessori system of education is both practical and available for the poor children of the tenements as well as for those who have every advantage that can be had for money, is the purpose of the Montessori Educational Association, which has just established a school for poor children in the upper East Side in one of the most thronged of the tenement sections of New York City. The Montessori idea of education is diametrically opposed to the system in vogue. All the time commonly spent in training children to be passive, is, in the Montessori schools, spent in awakening activity and encouraging initiative. The picture shows Mrs. Ernest Thompson Seton, the wife of Ernest Thompson Seton, the author and naturalist, who, until recently, was one of the prime movers of the Boy Scouts of America, who is one of the trustees of the Montessori Educational Association, telling a little waitress to pose for the picture.

of re-election by the police commis-
sioners a few weeks ago, and his term
of service expires on Wednesday. Gee
has been suspended pending an in-
vestigation, which will take place on
Monday.

Two more of the escaping prisoners
were arrested to-night while they were
trying to board a freight train on the
outskirts of the city. One of them de-
clares that Gee told all of the prison-
ers about 9 o'clock in the morning
that they had better go "while the
going is good," as his time as chain-
gang guard was out in a few days.
The recaptured men said that most of
the others are about the woods near
the railway tracks. Officers have been
sent there to try and surround them.

REUNION OF BLUE AND GRAY AT APPOMATTOX PROPOSED

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27.—
George C. Round, of the Manassas
Picket Post of Union Veterans; West-
wood Hutchison, commander of Ewell
camp of Confederate Veterans; Mrs.
May Logan, president of the Bull Run
Chapter of Daughters of the Confed-
eracy; and G. Raymond Ratcliff, presi-
dent of the Manassas Business League,
have launched a movement for a joint
celebration of the Blue and Gray on
the battlefield of Appomattox, Va., on

April 9, the fiftieth anniversary of the
end of the Civil War.

Mr. Round, while in Washington to-
day, said the proposed reunion would
be a fitting climax to the joint reunion
at Gettysburg and at Manassas, which
was held on the fiftieth anniversary of
first and decisive battles of the War
Between the States. He suggested the
Manassas joint reunion, which was fol-
lowed with the Blue and Gray gather-
ing at Gettysburg.

The appeal, which Mr. Round made
public to-day for a joint reunion, not
of the proportions of the Gettysburg
celebration, is in the nature of a chal-
lenge to the people of Appomattox to
issue an invitation for the jubilee.

Dies at Age of 113 Years.

AUBURN, N. Y., March 27.—Win-
fred Johnson, an inmate of the Har-
riet Tubman Home for Aged Colored
Women here, died to-day, aged 113
years. She was born in slavery at
Winchester, Va.

CAPTAIN BRUCE WILLS, OF ENGLISH ARMY, DEAD

LYNCHBURG, VA., March 27.—Word
has been received here of the death of
Captain Bruce Wills, of the English
army, recently in the trenches of
France. Captain Wills visited the
Lynchburg and Richmond plants of the

Imperial Tobacco Company, of London,
two years ago, and made numerous
friends while here. He was identified
with that concern, but volunteered last
year with his three brothers for ser-
vice in the British army. Particulars
of his death, or where it occurred, have
not been received here.

Merchants Are Bankrupt.

LYNCHBURG, VA., March 27.—Sam-
uel Miller and Charles Margolis, part-
ners, doing a general merchandise busi-
ness at Pocahontas, Va., in the clerk's
office of the Federal District Court here
to-day filed a voluntary petition in
bankruptcy, in which their liabilities
are shown to be \$16,053.64. The assets
scheduled aggregate \$10,477.26, in
which are included a lease valued at
\$1,400 and stock of goods invoiced at
\$6,741.95. There are upwards of 100
creditors scattered throughout the
country, many of them being Baltimore
concerns.

Mrs. Casper Funkhouser.

HARRISONBURG, VA., March 27.—
The funeral of Mrs. Casper Funk-
houser, seventy-six years old, was held
from the Otterbein chapel, near Mount
Jackson. She was the mother of Post-
master Charles A. Funkhouser, of Day-
ton, and George and Oscar Funkhouser,
of Hagerstown, Md. She was a mem-
ber of the United Brethren Church, and
belonged to a prominent Valley family.

CONFERENCE TO ORDAIN DEACONS AND ELDERS

Two Presiding Bishops and Majority
of Preachers in Attendance
Will Take Part.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES TO-DAY

Dr. Candler, in His Charge to Young
Men, Makes Pertinent Comments
on the Church and the Christian
Ministry.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The or-
dination of deacons and elders, with two
bishops and a majority of the preachers
of the conference taking part, will be
held to-morrow at Mt. Vernon Place
Church by the Baltimore Conference of
the M. E. Church, South.

Bishops Warren A. Candler and A.
W. Wilson are expected to lead the
services, Bishop Candler preaching the
sermon in the morning. The deacons,
who will be ordained at the morning
service, are Charles E. N. Hall, Walter
S. Thomas, W. S. Nicholson, W. W.
White, Frank T. Ridgeway and S. J. Du-
lany. The elders, to be ordained in the
evening, are T. M. Swann, Lee V. Rich-
ardson, E. Frank Fielding, R. L. Wit-
tig, T. A. Burch, W. R. Hardesty and
R. C. Meeks. The services are the
most impressive of the conference ses-
sion.

Three of the deacons to be ordained

were admitted into full traveling con-
nection with the conference at the ses-
sion to-day, and Bishop Candler, in his
charge to the young men, said:

"There are some people who are con-
tinually spouting, 'What is the mat-
ter with the church?' I answer that
there is nothing wrong with it. It
merely needs a chance to get along
a while without mention. What it
needs is not so much tinkering and a
lot more operating. Our method
of administration is good; our discipline
is good, our faith is good; let it work
for a while without worrying how it
ought to be bettered."

"And do not think that the church is
democratic. This church is not, no
church is, and no church can be. You
will have difficulties, but I have diffi-
culties sometimes in merely keeping
alive. Love for your work will con-
quer all difficulties."

"Remember that education is all
right, but primacy in the pulpit will
never rest on education. To be a leader
in the pulpit you do not have to know
everything. Our primacy rests on the
spirit. A Methodist preacher without re-
ligion has a hard job of it, harder per-
haps than he would in some other
churches. Some preachers tend to use
the pulpit for a lecture platform, and
they are mighty good lecturers, too; but
lecturing is not the purpose of the pul-
pit. If we use the Bible merely to get
to the pulpit for a lecture platform, no
higher than a book of good poetry. The Meth-
odist pulpits are used too much also
for bulletin boards now to suit me."

"The ministry has its difficulties, but
it also has its compensations for work-
ing with God and our Saviour. I can-
not conceive of living my life out of
the ministry of God. It is the happiest

life I know."
The characters of the remainder of
the preachers were passed upon, and
reports from their churches made, one
of the best Sunday schools being re-
ported by the Rev. J. P. Eyer, from
Clifton Forge, as having 1,066 members.
It is one of the largest in the Church.
Four delegates from the Methodist
protestant Church, the Revs. E. A.
Sexsmith, J. B. Balderston, G. M. Clay-
ton and Louis Randall, were introduced.
The Rev. T. N. Ivey, D. D., editor of
the Nashville Christian Advocate, told
of the progress of that paper and the
Revs. J. M. Way and A. L. Dietrich
spoke on the progress of the Sunday
schools.

In the afternoon a business meeting
of the Conference Benevolent Society
was held, the Rev. H. P. Hamill pre-
siding, and good reports were made.
There was no evening session, and
many of the preachers and delegates
living in the near territory returned
home for a brief visit, and to carry
rumors of change in appointments.
The appointments will probably be
read late on Monday night, when the
session will close.

The Sunday school board will hold
its anniversary at Mt. Vernon Place
Church at 3 o'clock to-morrow after-
noon, with the Rev. C. D. Balla, J. M.
Way and A. L. Dietrich speaking.

NEWPORT NEWS EXCURSION

Leaves
C. & O., Main Street Station,
9:30 A. M.
See the German Cruiser!

Just Received 100 Beautiful Ladies' Suits In Fifty Different Models To Be Sold at a Saving of \$10.00 on Your Easter Suit TYLER'S RETIRING SALE



A WONDERFUL ASSEMBLAGE

The Suits are in Silks, Silk Poplin, Gabardine, Wool Poplin and Serges.

All \$20.00 Suits at Tyler's retiring price \$11.75

All \$25.00 Suits at Tyler's retiring price \$14.75

We surely have scored a decided triumph in having purchased such hand-
some and fashionable garments to sell at such prices.

The COLORS—We are showing the new Checks, Sands, Putty, Belgian
blue, Copenhagen, Reseda, Navy and Black.

Newest Skirt Idea at Tyler's \$2.48
retiring price

White Silk Crepe de Chine \$1.95
Waists at Tyler's retiring price.

These Skirts are strictly tailor-made; the
modeling, draping and every seam tell the
story of careful and painstaking construc-
tion.

Exquisitely embroidered or semi-tailored.
In all colors.

Skirts for every occasion and in all
shades.

New arrival of Country Club \$1.95
Waists, in silk

Our alteration room is amply provided for in taking care of the rush work for Easter.

READY FOR EASTER WITH Special Values in Our Boys' Department

Boys' Coat Suits

In the new Norfolk, some of which are plain, except for patch
pockets; others show box and side plaits, with yokes. They have
two pairs of knickerbockers.

\$8.50 Suits \$5.95
\$6.50 Suits \$4.19
\$5.00 Suits \$3.48

Boys' Furnishings

50c Blouse 39c
50c Khaki Pants 39c
50c Golf Caps 29c
\$1.00 Knickers, in assorted patterns 79c
80c Nainsook Underwear, per garment 21c

Children's Spring Reefers

All-wool Blue Serge and Shepherd Plaid
Reefers, in plain and belted backs; sizes
2½ to 10.
\$5.00 Reefers \$3.29
\$4.00 Reefers \$2.98

Children's Straw Hats

Our entire line of Children's Straw and
Panama Hats at reduced prices:

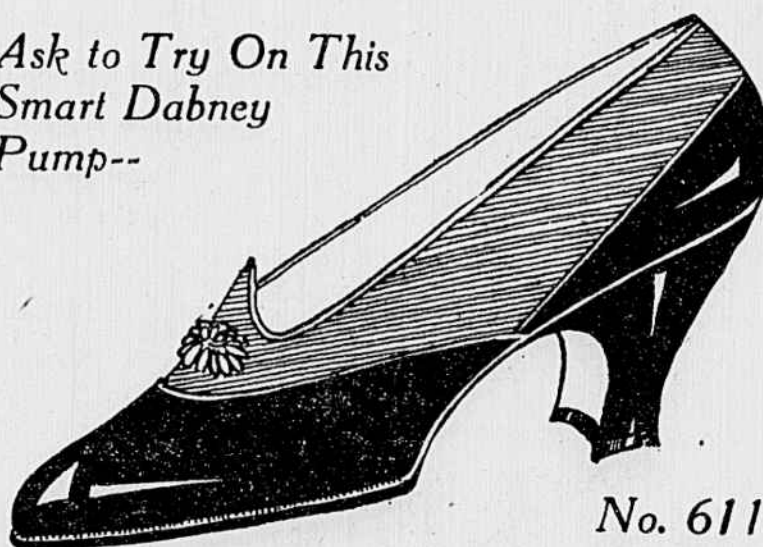
\$4.00 Hats \$2.98
\$2.50 Hats \$1.69
\$2.00 Hats \$1.39
\$1.50 Hats 89c
\$1.00 Hats 69c



F.W. Dabney & Co.

Fifth and Broad

Ask to Try On This
Smart Dabney
Pump--



No. 611

Even the best illustrations seem cold and lifeless compared with the charm of
this model. To judge its lines, its classic combinations of materials, you must see
it on your foot! That is why we suggest a call. Ask to try on any Dabney you see
in this advertising or in our window. May we serve you?

No. 611.

As shown above, this style is
in patent colt, with the new
smart "putty" kid insert. Span-
ish leather heel, light flexible
welted sole, \$6.00.

No. 515.

Similar in lines and design,
of patent colt with insertion of
fine black imported cloth,
leather Spanish heel and light
flexible welted sole, \$5.00.

No. 601.

This style is also shown in a
beautiful rich imported bronze
kid, bronze cloth insert, leath-
er Spanish heel and light welt-
ed sole, \$6.00.

No. 401.

As shown here is of patent
colt, with insertion of "sand"
cloth, one of our best-liked
spring ideas, \$4.00.

No. 400.

Is very similar, except that it is
of gunmetal with insertion of
"putty" cloth—very chic, and
extra value at \$4.00.



This Is No. 401
One of the Smartest
Pumps ever shown at
\$4.00.

Ask for it.

Expert Fitting--The Vital Part of Dabney Service!

Every man who waits on you here is an expert. He has studied fitting the foot as the high-priced
tailor fits the figure. He knows how to give comfort to the many bones of the foot without sacrificing
one iota of style and appearance. Think what it means to secure this important service without the ad-
dition of one penny to the sensible, low Dabney prices. May we show you the new Dabney styles?

Budded Pecan Trees

Special reduced prices for ten
days on hardy, Northern grown,
budded and grafted Pecan Trees, for
late spring planting.

Arrowfield Nurseries,
Petersburg, Va.